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1. Prisoners in Rumania are divided into two categories: ordinary criminals and political prisoners. Treatment for each category varies considerably.

2. Ordinary criminals are used for various types of work. They are permitted to receive mail and a 5-kilogram package containing food, clothing, and cigarettes once a month and are allowed one visitor a month. They are paid for their work and may make purchases at the prison store. After work, they have a free recreation period in the prison yard.

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3. Political prisoners who have been sentenced to more than five years in prison are not given work assignments. They are separated in cells or locked up in dormitories. Except in rare cases they have no contact with the outside world. However, since early 1955, the food has greatly improved and bed sheets were distributed to the prisoners for the first time.

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4. The political prisoners are distributed among the following prisons:

a. Aiud Prison: Legionnaires; some are allowed to work in a nearby enterprise. Former ministers and high officials are kept in separate cells.

b. Craiova Prison: War criminals and those sentenced for crimes against humanity. Colonel Romulus Hotineanu, former attorney general under King Carol is imprisoned here.

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c. Pitesti Prison: Rumanian citizens sentenced for high treason and espionage; all foreign citizens sentenced for political reasons and foreign war criminals. Until 1954, foreign citizens were imprisoned in Margineni Prison which is no longer used.

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d. Sibet Prison: High Catholic clergymen and officials of the former regime. Political prisoners with light sentences are employed in the mines in Baia Mare, Baia Nistrului, and Baia Sprie, and are quartered in temporary wooden barracks adjacent to the mines.

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They are also employed on the construction of the large hydroelectric plant in Cheile Bicazului.

- e. Ocnele Mari Prison: Former employees of the Securitatea and officials of the present Ministry of the Interior are kept in this prison.

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